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MINORITIES, POLITICAL POWER CONFERENCE  
FRIDAY-SATURDAY IN BILLINGS

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"Minorities and Political Power" will be the theme of a two-day conference Friday and Saturday (March 22-23) in Billings.

Lectures and discussions, which are open to the public without charge, will be held from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday and 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday at Riverside Junior High School. The conference is being sponsored by the Billings Community Action Program under a \$1,000 grant from the Montana Committee for the Humanities (MCH), an organization which has home offices at the University of Montana in Missoula.

Keynote speakers will include Prof. Sam DeLoria, a law professor in the American Indian Law Center, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque; Prof. Salvador Ramirez, director of Mexican-American studies, University of Colorado, Boulder; Gregory L. Robinson, Los Angeles, Calif., a student in the UM Black Studies Program.

Also, Ron Davis, executive director of "Just Us," a lobbying group for poor people which is headquartered in Helena; Maury Evans, Billings, Democratic Party executive for Yellowstone County, and Colvin Agnew, Billings, Republican Party executive for Yellowstone County.

The speakers will discuss how minorities view their roles in politics; how, as minorities, they could increase their influence in the political system, and what each of the minorities has to offer to American politics.

Bruce R. Sievers, Missoula, is MCH director, and UM President Robert T. Pantzer is MCH chairman.